

WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Call: Come, all who long for the light, for Christ is the light of the world!

Response: We come to step out of the shadows and into God's love.

Call: God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, not to condemn, but to save.

Response: We come to receive this love and reflect it to others.

Call: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it!

Response: Let us worship the Lord, the source of our life and light!

OPENING PRAYER *God of Light, you have spoken, and the darkness has not prevailed. You have given us your Son, Jesus Christ, so that we may live in truth, love, and grace. As we gather today, turn our hearts toward your light. Expose all within us that keeps us from fully following you. Transform us by your Spirit, that we may not only receive the light of Christ but shine as beacons of your love in this world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*

🎵 Amazing Grace | Hymnal Page 378 vv. 1-2, 6

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

🎵 We Will Walk in the Light | Shawnee UMC Choir

CHILDREN'S TIME

John 3:13-21 (NLT) | *Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God!*

LOVING THE LIGHT - Pastor Eva Marie

OFFERING *Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Light of the world, we bring you these gifts, asking you to bless them and make them agents of your love in the world, as we ask you to bless us, and make us agents of your love in the world. It is you who transforms our meager gifts into great expressions of your life in our world, and we ask that you multiply the impact of our offering today, so that your Word goes into the world and brings the lost to you. Amen.*

🎵 Thy Word | Hymnal Page 601

PASTORAL PRAYER | LORD'S PRAYER

🎵 When Morning Gilds the Sky | Hymnal Page 185

THANK YOU! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who served in any way during our Spring Fling Craft Show yesterday! Your time, energy, and support helped make the event a great success. We are so grateful for each and every one of you!

OUR NEXT FAMILY PROMISE WEEK starts April 7! Family promise as a ministry to the homeless families in our Lima area. Are you able to help us provide a meal or part of a meal? The board is currently out in the commons. Please sign up if you're able!

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO DELIVER EASTER GIFTS to our homebound church members. The office will supply the gifts - we just need your smiling faces to help with delivery! Please see the Commons to sign up for who you will take the gift to. The gifts will be available for pickup starting Sunday, April 6, and the gifts should be delivered between the dates of April 6-12. See Pastor Lori with any questions or if you would like to make a monetary donation towards the gift items. Thank you!

EASTER FLOWERS Tulips and daffodils are now available for purchase! These will decorate our Sanctuary and Centrum on Easter Morning. Please fill out the form at the welcome desk or On your app, head over to "Get Involved" to sign up. They are \$16 each

WE NEED PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO PASS OUT COMMUNION ELEMENTS once a quarter in the 11am service. Please contact the church office if you can help.

ALL YOUTH BETWEEN 2-8TH GRADE WHO LIKE TO SING & want to be involved are invited to join the Youth Singers & participate in the choir anthem on Palm Sunday, Apr. 13 at the 9:30am service. Brief rehearsals will be held in the sanctuary at 10:30am between services on March 16, 23, 30 and April 6.

THE MOBILE HOPE FOOD PANTRY invites you to serve on Thurs, Apr 3 from 11am-12:30pm at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (125 S Central Ave). We'll be helping serve lunch to those needing food!

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST following the 6:30am Sunrise Service! After celebrating the joy of Christ's resurrection, we invite you to gather for food and fellowship in the commons. To make this meal possible, we're asking for you to bring a breakfast dish to share. If you'd like to contribute, please sign up on the app under Get Involved or contact the office. office@shawneeum.church. Let's rejoice together with a joyful meal and wonderful fellowship.

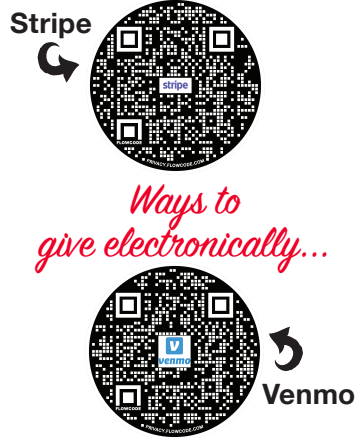
2025 BLESSING OF THE BIKES T-SHIRTS are will be available for Pre-Order this week! Our online stoer should be live Monday afternoon! www.ShawneeUM.church/BlessingOfTheBikes. Order yours and select Pick up to guarantee them before May 4.

BIKER SUNDAY SERVANTS The Blessing of the Bikes is May 4. We'll be showing radical hospitality to 1,200+ bikers coming for the Blessing & the 11am service! Join us for this energetic, exciting worship! Lots of servants are needed! See the board in the commons for ways to help.

JOIN US ON A SPECIAL JOURNEY TO ST. JOHN, INDIANA, to experience the breathtaking Shrine of Christ's Passion. This powerful, interactive prayer trail features life-size bronze sculptures depicting the final hours of Jesus' life. This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Space is limited, so reserve your seat today! **Date: July 18-19, 2025 via charter bus \$200 deposit due April 4th to hold your spot.** A flyer with details is on the welcome desk. For more information or to sign up, contact Chris Shepherd, 419-806-9262 or email limabean1@woh.rr.com. We look forward to sharing this spiritual experience with you!

UPCOMING CALENDAR

- Mar. 31 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 7 - Family Promise Week begins
- Apr. 7 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 14 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 17 - Maundy Thursday
- Apr. 18 - Good Friday Service 7pm @ Trinity UMC
- Apr. 20 - Easter Sunday
- Apr. 25 - MS Youth Group Midnighter
- May 4 - Blessing of the Bikes



join us! **EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES**

<p><i>maundy thursday</i> Service 7pm SUMC Sanctuary</p>	<p><i>good friday</i> Service 7pm @ TRINITY UMC</p>	<p><i>easter sunrise</i> Service 6:30am SUMC Outdoors <i>(weather permitting)</i></p>	<p><i>easter sunday</i> Service 9:30am SUMC Sanctuary</p>	<p><i>easter sunday</i> Service 11am SUMC Centrum</p>
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ROOTS KID'S MINISTRY SUNDAYS @IIM

SUMC FAMILY & YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

QUEST for 5th grade & up during the 11am church service.

For more Youth information, Follow us on Facebook: Shawnee & Trinity UMC Youth Group
 Sign up for Remind: text @ygsumctumc to 81010
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